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## PREMIUM ON INVENTION.

AMERICAN genius may yet win the war. The world is confident that the United States will develop a man of such wonderful attainments that he will bring forth some device capable of thwarting the undersea boats at their own game. Reports begin to make it appear as though the genius has been found, that another Ericsson, of Monitor fame, has been unearthed by the necessities of the hour. The United States is credited with the greatest achievements in mechanical form, many of which have revolutionized the routine of industry. The revolver, the torpedo, the aeroplane, the huge, ungainly tanks that walk over the enemy crushing houses and traversing craters as though they were boulevards, are credited to American mechanics. The first practical submarine was built in Connecticut for the Irish cause and the demonstrations made it apparent at once that it was destined to be the most formidable engine of destruction known to mankind. It was not until 20 years later that the invention was adopted but even after the United States navy had incorporated the undersea boat in its official list of appointments, a strong antagonism at Washington combated the expenditure of further money for what appeared to these shortsighted warriors as a waste for the furtherance of a useless toy. That explains why this country does not rank with first-class powers in the submarine class for the opposition to the submarine was so pronounced in the admiralty that the appropriations were minimized by every session of congress, which preferred to build one dreadnaught at an expense of \$16,000,000 instead of using that amount for the construction of a fleet such as are now destroying the merchant marine and transport service of Great Britain and France. The most successful inventions in modern warfare have emanated from America and it is flattering that the British papers all hailed with delight the advent of this country as it presaged the appearance of some great novel device that would cope with the sharks of the sea that now terrorize every approach to the United Kingdom.

The situation is summed up in the words of the chairman of the British admiralty board when he says: "The shipping interest dominates everything else and is very grave indeed. Both the present British construction and the estimated American construction cannot keep pace with the present rate of destruction. Both must be speeded up very appreciably if the seas are to be kept open. The war has resolved itself into a race between the efficiency of the American and British shipyards and the German submarine. The balancing factors in the world's struggle is the tonnage the United States can supply." The United States, according to the same authority, is one of the few countries that are absolutely self sufficient in shipbuilding. "You have the men, the material, the inventiveness," the speaker explained. "France, Japan and Italy are also building some, but, unlike this country, must use ships to build ships through the need for importing raw material."

For a better understanding of the situation it may be explained that for months England has been cutting down the need for ships until practically every vessel is on an important mission. The British empire would be quite comfortable alone if it were not necessary to consider the needs of the allies and the neutrals. For instance, there are ten million tons of exportable wheat in the empire which could easily supply England's needs of six million tons were it not necessary to consider the requirements of the allied nations. France alone has been allotted 15 per cent of the total English tonnage for direct military service, including 200 vessels carrying oats, wheat and steel from the United States. With the loss of 600,000 tons every week it may be seen at a glance that it will not require a long campaign before Germany is master of the export trade, which can only be regained through the efficiency of the new submarine destroyer, or the quick construction of ships in such numbers that they greatly exceed the loss due to undersea operations.

## CONSCRIPTION AS A FACT.

CONSCRIPTION might as well be accepted as a cold fact for at best only a few hours remain between the completion of legislative action and the signing of the bill by President Wilson. That there is no excuse for the delirious protests of the pacifist element is shown by a statement outlining the method by which the bill will be enforced. The regulations are not nearly so drastic as the opponents of the measure would have the world believe. A great deal of buncome has been indulged about the insult to the American people by insisting that a law calling for compulsory service should have to be enacted before the president could find sufficient support for his good right arm to justify him in assuring our European allies that this is not going to be a fight of dollars but a fight where America will supply its increment of physical force and take its station on the field of battle under the stars and stripes instead of fighting under the colors of some foreign monarch to whom many of our best citizens have sworn allegiance. The only point of contention remaining is to determine the age limits. After that will come the selection of men whose acceptance will not tend to cripple any industry on which the nation is depending. For instance, farm laborers, coal miners and many metal miners will be excused without any reflection on their courage or loyalty, for the simple reason that they can be of more service to their country at their normal occupations than by serving in the ranks of either the army or navy. The registration will serve as the beginning of the movement by which the elimination process will gradually weed out those who can be spared from civil life, while permitting others to remain without any interference or reflection on their status as citizens. Execution of the law will be left in the hands of civil officers who will be requested to perform the duties without adding any additional cost to the state or nation. It is believed that sufficient patriotic men and women may be found willing to look after the registration and furnish the government with a complete list of the eligibles in each country. Nevada has done its share nobly

and is willing to go to greater limits in complying with the wishes of the president. Every day witnesses more names added to the roll of honor created by those who did not wait for the conscription or peremptory demand but voluntarily offered their services to their country.

Russia is becoming as uncertain as Greece in the early days of the war when it was claimed by a different ally each day until finally the entente went in and camped to see that Constantine did not do any more tricks with the enemy.

The Eureka railroad, which went out of business last week, received a gentle reminder from the railroad commission that it has certain duties to perform in the interests of the public and that it must resume operation forthwith.

Hollweg better hurry up with his peace plans before the allies get a strangle hold on what remains of the kaiser's army.

It will not require a long time for the industrialists to take the germ out of Germany.

## BASEBALL GAMES

### PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
San Francisco	20	12	.625
Salt Lake	18	12	.600
Oakland	15	17	.473
Portland	14	16	.467
Vernon	15	19	.441
Los Angeles	13	19	.406

At Portland — Oakland-Portland game postponed on account of rain.

At Oakland — R. H. E.

Morning Game:

Los Angeles 2 3 6

San Francisco 5 5 1

Batteries: Ryan and Bassler;

Erickson and McKee.

At San Francisco — R. H. E.

Afternoon Game:

Los Angeles 2 4 2

San Francisco 5 11 0

Batteries: Standridge and Boles;

Oldham and McKee.

At Los Angeles — R.

Morning Game:

Salt Lake 7

Vernon 1

Batteries: Leverenz and Hannah;

Quinn and Arillanes and Simon.

Afternoon Game: R. H. E.

Salt Lake 10 15 3

Vernon 8 5 5

Batteries: Evans, Dubue and Han-

nah; Fromme, Mitchell and Mitze.

(Ten innings.)

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
St. Louis	12	7	.632
New York	8	5	.615
Chicago	13	9	.590
Philadelphia	8	6	.571
Cincinnati	11	13	.458
Brooklyn	5	7	.417
Boston	5	8	.385
Pittsburg	7	14	.333

(By Associated Press.)  
 Detroit, May 7. — Cleveland-Detroit game postponed on account of rain.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, May 7.—Carlson held Chicago to two hits Sunday, yet Chicago defeated Pittsburg 3 to 2. Zeider scored the winning run in the eighth inning after he doubled and stole third. Carlson became worried and a wild pitch enabled Zeider to score. Vaughn was hard hit, but tightened in the pinches. Scores: R. H. E.  
 Pittsburg 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0—2 11 1  
 Chicago 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 1—3 2 4  
 Batteries: Carlson and Schmidt; Vaughn and Elliott.

(By Associated Press.)

CINCINNATI, May 7.—St. Louis went into first place in the National League yesterday when Watson shut out Cincinnati, 4 to 0. Watson allowed only five scattered hits, and was never in trouble. Toney after two were out in the first, allowed four singles and a double, netting four runs. Score: R. H. E.  
 St. Louis 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—4 8 0  
 Cincinnati 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 5 1  
 Batteries: Watson and Snyder; Toney, Eller and Huha.

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Boston	10	4	.714
St. Louis	11	8	.579
New York	8	7	.533
Chicago	11	10	.524
Cleveland	9	10	.473
Philadelphia	6	9	.400
Detroit	6	9	.400
Washington	6	10	.375

(By Associated Press.)

ST. LOUIS, May 7.—Groom did not allow Chicago a hit for eleven innings yesterday and St. Louis took both games, 8 to 4, and 3 to 0. Groom relieved Plank in the eighth inning of the first game. From then on to the end of the second game Chicago could not get a hit. Only 28 men faced Groom in the second game. Four reached first and only one got beyond. St. Louis made its runs in both games by effective hitting. Scores:

First Game: R. H. E.

Chicago 0 0 2 0 0 2 0 0—4 9 2

St. Louis 0 0 0 5 0 0 0 3—8 9 1

Batteries: Russell, Danforth, Williams and Schalk; Sotherton, Plank, Groom and Severeid.

Second Game: R. H. E.

Chicago 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 0 2

St. Louis 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 1—3 8 0

Batteries: Benz and Schalk; Groom and Severeid.

## TO SCARE THE GERMAN PEOPLE

(By Associated Press.)

COPENHAGEN, May 7.—As the latest means of keeping the German people aroused, the German newspapers have discovered a secret Anglo-American treaty, whereby Germany in the future is to be allowed no colonies whatever. Germany's surplus population to be directed to the Anglo-Saxon controlled regions where they are to be absorbed as the Germans have been in the United States.

The Hamburg Fremdenblatt prints the story "from an absolutely reliable source," and draws a two-column moral on the necessity of complete victory over the authors of this alleged treaty.

### ELKO AN INCORPORATED TOWN

The board of county commissioners met this morning and canvassed the vote cast last Tuesday and declared that incorporation carried and the charter adopted. They have issued certificates of election to J. A. McBride, as mayor, and as supervisors, T. F. Brennen, Edward Lytton, W. R. Mayer and C. F. Williams. —Free Press.

An adlet in the Bonanza is the best investment.

## SARDIS SUMMERFIELD IS KNOCKED DOWN BY CAR

Sardis Summerfield, well known attorney, had a narrow escape from serious injury Friday night, when he was struck by an automobile at Second and Virginia streets, knocked down and dragged several feet before the car was brought to a stop. The front wheels of the machine passed over his legs and his clothing caught underneath the car, which probably saved him from fatal injury by dragging him out of the way of the rear wheels. —Reno Gazette.

Our guess is that the Texas corn crop will astonish the natives and delight the foreigners. —Dallas News.

## TEAR UP PRISON LAWN TO PLANT POTATOES

(By Associated Press.)  
 WALLA WALLA, Wash., May 7.—Three acres of the beautiful lawn at the Washington state penitentiary have been turned under and what was lawn has been planted to potatoes. The sacrifice of the lawn is a part of the movement at the prison to utilize all available space for the production of foodstuffs.

Our observation is that a pessimist is a person who thinks the optimists are about to tax him to death. —Dallas News.

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